



Panel discussion to explore transitions in women’s careers on May 16

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The LANL Women’s Group is hosting a career panel discussion and networking event titled “If I Only Knew Then What I Know Now,” exploring transitions that women face throughout their careers. The panel is from 2:30 to 5 p.m. on Monday, May 16, in the Student Center Lecture Hall of the University of New Mexico-Los Alamos, 4000 University Dr., Los Alamos. The event is open to the public.

Two panel speakers (one early-career and one mid-career) from five different fields at Los Alamos National Laboratory will share their stories of career transitions—including transitions through various career stages, across geographical locations, or within a job or career. The five career fields support the science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) environment at LANL. They include biology and earth science; engineering; math and computer science; operations and environmental science; and physical science.

The panel discussion will run from 2:30 to 4 p.m., followed by networking and refreshments until 5 p.m. The networking portion also will have women (one early-career and one mid-career) available to talk about each of the five science/engineering fields as well as the field of national security science.

“This panel is a great opportunity to listen to some of the very talented women here at the Lab and learn about their experiences in the science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields, as well as those who support those fields,” said Raeanna Sharp-Geiger, co-organizer of the LANL Women’s Group hosting the panel. “Networking with other successful women in STEM fields, which are so important to Lab missions and the nation, is critical to building a successful career.”

Both the panel discussion and networking are open to the public. Lisa Lande of the Lab’s Human Resources Division will moderate the panel discussion. The LANL Women’s Group organized the event in celebration of Women’s History Month. The event is jointly supported by Los Alamos National Laboratory and UNM-LA.

For more information, contact Veronika Mocko, vmocko@lanl.gov or Christeanne Goodey, 667-4218.

The panel speakers in each area

Field	Early-Career Speaker	Mid-Career Speaker
Biology and Earth Science	Amanda Barry B-11	Claudia Mora EES-14

Engineering	Saryu Fensin MST-8	Reina Ledoux PF-WFS
Math and Computer Science	Sara Brambilla A-1	Karissa Sanbonmatsu T-6
Operations and Environmental Science	Amy Chacon HR-ODSS	Teresa Cull DESH-DO
Physical Science	Jessica Baumgaertel XTD-PRI	Harshini Mukundan C-PCS

The networking contacts available at the event

Field	Early-Career Speaker	Mid-Career Speaker
Biology and Earth Science	Elizabeth Miller EES-14	Helen Cui B-11
Engineering	Karen Miller NEN-1	Heidi Hahn ADE
Math and Computer Science	Emily Casleton CCS-6	Christine Hipp SAE-4
Operations and Environmental Science	Melissa Montoya ADMASER-IS Sarah (Eli) Gilbertson LASO-O-NS	Denise Gelston EWMO-DO
Physical Science	Veronika Mocko C-IIAC	Anna Llobet P-23
National Security Science	Amanda Duque M-7	Anita Schwendt A-DO

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